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Positively No New Display Advertisements Will be Received, or Old Ones Changed, Later Than Tuesday Morning.

LOCAL ITEMS OF INTEREST.

AFFAIRS CAUGHT BY OUR LOCAL REPORTER AND NOTED.

Written in Condensed Form and Printed in Like Manner for the Sake of Our Weary Readers.

Mr. C. J. Lesesne is back from Asheville.

Dr. W. S. Lynch, of Coward's, spent Sunday in Kingstree.

Miss Essie Benjamin is visiting relatives in Georgetown.

Mr. J. J. Matthews, of Lake City, was in town Monday.

Black river has dwindled down to a very small stream.

Louis Jacobs, Jr., of Charleston, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Jacobs, last week.

The town council has had the weeds on Court-house square cut down—at last.

Eddie Jacobs, of Macon, Ga., is spending some time with his parents at this place.

Rev. J. W. Harris, of Columbia, was in Kingstree Tuesday representing the Epworth Orphanage.

H. G. Askins came up from Georgetown Saturday, and spent awhile in Kingstree seeing the fair.

The chain-gang is located at Cades for the present, where convicts will be received from magistrates.

Mr. W. J. Cook, of Denmark, stopped over in Kingstree Friday and spent the day with his cousin, W. Eugene Cook.

Mr. B. A. Cook, of Lake City, has accepted a clerkship at Dr. W. V. Brockington's drug store. We welcome Mr. Cook to Kingstree.

Editor Edwards and Mr. J. J. Baldwin, the American Tobacco Co.'s buyer on the Scranton tobacco market, spent Sunday in Kingstree.

Mrs. B. H. Myers and daughters, Misses Lula and Rebecca, are visiting relatives at Scranton. Mr. Charlie Myers went along with them also.

Mr. D. E. Grant got his foot badly mashed a few days ago by a 200-pound block of ice falling on it. Mr. Grant has been unable to walk since the accident.

Mrs. W. P. Hawkins has returned from Sumter, where she has been under medical treatment. We are glad to state that her health is better, and we hope she will soon be fully restored.

In a note to THE RECORD Mr. R. J. Nesmith denies emphatically the rumor which he says is being circulated to the effect that he has withdrawn from the race for clerk of court. He is in the fight to a finish.

A protracted meeting will begin at Cades on the first Sunday in September. Rev. A. E. C. Pittman, of North Carolina, will assist the pastor, Rev. W. O. Wilson. Everybody is invited to attend.

Fresh Turnip Seed for sale at Brockington's drug store.

The crop of candidates is ripening for the harvest.

Miss Lilly Benjamin visited friends at Lanes Monday.

Mrs. L. J. Brockington is having her residence painted.

The continued hot and dry weather has cut crops short at least one third.

Mr. McCall, Sprunt's cotton buyer, is expected to arrive here in a few days.

Cotton ought to bring ten or eleven cents before October if the reports about the crop is true.

The primary election takes place next Tuesday. Let every Democrat go to the polls and vote for the man of his choice.

Misses Celia and Florence Benjamin came up from Georgetown Tuesday and spent the day with Mr. Louis Jacobs' family.

Miss Lucy Barron, who has been visiting relatives at Rome, passed through Kingstree yesterday en route to her home at Manning.

David Scott Smith, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smith, died Wednesday night aged ten months. The remains were interred in the Presbyterian cemetery this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Rev. Louis J. Bristow will not preach at the Baptist church here next Sunday, having recalled his appointment. There will be services there Sunday night by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Gresham.

Tickets for the primary election this year will be the regular blanket affairs, and the voter is expected to simply run his pencil through the names of those candidates for whom he does not care to vote.

The first bale of cotton ginned here this season was brought in Tuesday by John Dixon, a colored farmer, and was ginned at Thorn's gin. Mr. Thorn bought the bale, paying 10c per lb., for it.

Mr. W. M. Ervin requests us to state that the reunion of Confederate veterans which was to be held at Indiantown on the 25th inst., has been postponed on account of conflicting with the campaign meeting to be held at Lake City on that date.

Mr. W. P. Hawkins has completed his buggy house, and soon it will be filled with buggies of the newest and most improved make. By the way, he has just received a car-load of the famous Rock Hill buggies. They are beauties, and will be sold at rock bottom prices.

The Oath Required.

The managers at each box at the primary election shall require every voter in a Democratic primary election to pledge himself to abide the result of the primary, and to take the following oath and pledge: "I do solemnly swear that I am duly qualified to vote at this election according to the rules of the Democratic party, and that I have not voted before at this election, and pledge myself to support the nominees of this primary."

CAMPAIGN MEETINGS.

The County Campaigners Continue to Educate and Enlighten the People on Public Matters.

After the campaign meeting at Greeleyville Wednesday the spellbinders wended their way toward Gourdin's, where on Thursday they were given another opportunity to demonstrate that each individual of the sixty-odd candidates is peculiarly fitted for the office he seeks. Most of the would-be office-holders left Greeleyville rather early in the afternoon making their way slowly and carefully so as to include in their mandering orbit every sovereign who chanced to dwell on or near the highway. Bright and early Thursday morning the meeting at Gourdin's was called to order by Dr. S. Wayne Gamble. Each speaker in turn mounted a large dry-goods box and from that eminence harangued an audience of about 50 voters. At this meeting it really seemed that the candidates were in a majority.

The audience, though small, was a lively one and many of the candidates were plying with questions. At one time there was some confusion, but Chairman Gamble interposed, asking that every speaker be allowed fair play.

The large number of candidates preclude any attempt to give even a bare outline of the speeches and it would be invidious to discriminate; hence the meetings can be described only in the most general way. With the exception of the legislative division the speakers were limited to five minutes, which enabled them to get through by 3:30 o'clock.

TRIO

Was the next objective point, and on Friday the office-seekers gathered there in full force. Some of the boys drove across from Gourdin's, while many of them went by train. The scene of the rendezvous was a grove near the Methodist church. At the request of Mr. James Bryant, the president of the club, Col. George S. Barr acted as master of the ceremonies. There was no platform for the speakers so they took it "flat-footed" on the ground. The speeches made from day to day are like the text which the Southern merchant visiting New York heard at three churches he attended one Sunday: "Peter's wife's mother lay sick of a fever." The next day when on the wharf to take a boat to Hoboken a bell began to ring. Some one asked the merchant what bell ringing meant. "Well," said he, "I suppose Peter's wife's mother is dead, as she had fever all day yesterday!" Thus the meeting dragged wearily on, each speaker reciting pretty much his same little piece. About 2 o'clock a shower came up, and shortly thereafter the meeting adjourned. At each place visited the people have done the handsome thing by the candidates, who are loud in their praises of the hospitality of Greeleyville, Gourdin's and Trio.

The candidates (and the people) have had a much needed rest since Friday, and some of them are storing up energy for the final round-up this week at Morrisville, Johnsonville and Lake City. Many have been "making hay while the sun shone", however, and remote indeed is the road which has not been traversed during the past few days by one or more candidates. They are the best fellows in the world—merry, jolly, good-natured and the best of humor prevail. Strange too as it may seem to an outsider every man in the field is dead sure of being elected.

A Pleasant Entertainment.

It was the pleasure of THE RECORD's representative last Thursday evening to be present at a meeting of the Lanes Literary and Social Club, which took place at the hospitable home of Mr. T. A. Nettles. The club has been in existence for over a year and has a fine membership. Two excellent papers were read by Misses Severance and Gordon and altogether the entertainment afforded was both pleasant and profitable. The club meets every Thursday night. Long may it flourish. Following is the programme of the evening.

Song—"You're The Only One", by Miss Alma Gordon.

Debate:—Resolved, That Steam and Electricity have Increased Labor, (in a way profitable to the laboring class) Misses Severance and Gordon, affirmative, C. W. Wolfe, negative.

Song—"When Dusky Twilight Steals upon us"—by Miss Jaunita Holliday.

Recitation—by Mr. H. H. Monzon

Magistrates' Districts.

The following are the magistrates' districts in this county:

- 1st. Lake City, Scranton, High Hill, McAllisters, Hebron and Cades.
- 2d. Prospect, Pleasant Grove, Tillman.
- 3d. Johnsonville, Wayside, Jeffersonian.
- 4th. Black Mingo, Bloomingdale.
- 5th. Cedar Swamp, Kennedy's Store, Indiantown, Central.
- 6th. Kingstree, Mouzon's, Martin's X Roads.
- 7th. Greeleyville.
- 8th. Lanes, Salters, Gourdin's.
- 9th. Suttons.
- 10th. Trio, Oak Ridge, Earls.

FOR SALE.—One 70-saw Gin and Press in good order. Terms reasonable. Also, one 40-saw Gin, three Grist Mills and Shaffing. Address, Box W, Cades, S. C.

If you want a Piano or Organ write to B. O. Bristow, Darlington, S. C.

Teachers Elected.

The board of trustees of the Kingstree graded school met last Saturday for the purpose of electing teachers for the ensuing term. There were numerous applications before them, all of which were given due consideration. The board finally selected the following faculty: Prof. Baskin, of Bishopville, principal; Miss Kennedy, of Yorkville, first assistant, and Miss Riser of Greenville second assistant. Each of the teachers was promptly notified of the election and all of them have accepted.

This faculty is composed of able and efficient educators who are admirably qualified by education, experience and natural endowments to satisfactorily fill the positions to which they have been called, and we hope the people of Kingstree will sustain them in their work. The school will open on Sept. 17th, and we predict a prosperous and successful session.

Daisy Swails has been elected teacher of the colored school.

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